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I have seen your letter No BR/I/23 of 19th June 76 to Shri N. S. Poonacha Honorary Secretary of the Divine Life Society Branch Mercara.

Here is the full story of our Branch.

It was first started by me over 18 years ago with some very enthusiastic members. You have had various reports of our activities in the past.

Unfortunately practically every one of our old members is no more and the few left are not in good health to continue their active membership. However I as the Founder President with Mr. Poonacha as the Honorary Secretary and one or two others do still "keep the flag flying" as actively as we can. Unfortunately owing to my own personal indisposition in health in the last year or so I have not been able to be as active as I was earlier on. However our Branch still functions with me, Shri Poonacha and one or two others. We celebrate our Gurudev's birthday when we invite many young people to come. We read extracts from Gurudev's great sayings and distribute some sweets and so on

We have been celebrating the 60th birthday of His Holiness Swami Chidanandaji. I will see that we make a good show of it. I will send details of our programme later.

I expect you have by now received our affiliation fees for the year 1975-76.

I am going to start an intensive drive to stock up our Institute. I think I can do it. So for your offer to advise us how we can do it.

Yours Sincerely

K.G.

Secretary
The Divine Life Society